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1. THE WASHINGTON COMMERCIAL ACTION GROUP (WCAG) FOR THE BENELUX COUNTRIES MET ON MAY 1 TO REVIEW THE POST'S SECOND QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT ON THE FY'78 CCP. WCAG IS PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS ACHIEVED BY THE POST SUCH AS THE FOREIGN BUYERS PROGRAM AND THE INCREASED TRAVEL TO USA PROGRAM.

2. WCAG COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC PROGRAM ACTIONS FOLLOW:

- (A) CONSUMER GOODS, CAMPAIGN ONE (REFTEL, PARA. 1) WCAG CONGRATULATES POST FOR EXCELLENT NUMBER OF TO SUBMISSIONS FOR CONSUMER GOODS WHICH EXCEEDED THE SECOND QUARTER GOAL BY 53. WE ASSUME THIS WAS ACHIEVED FROM CALLS AND MAILINGS (CAMPAIGN ACTION TWO) AND CALLS ON KEY RETAIL CHAINS AND TRADE ORGANIZATIONS (CAMPAIGN ACTION FIVE). WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING HOW POST WAS SO SUCCESSFUL.
- (B) WCAG NOTED THE POST'S CLOSE SUPPORTOF PETROTECH. POST HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN SUPPORT OF IMC COLOGN, IN PREPARING

KEY PROSPECT AND REPFIND LISTS.

- (C) TRAVEL TO USA WCAG COMMENDS POST FOR OUTSTANDING INITIATIVE IN NEGOTIATING WITH PAN AM FOR RELOCATION OF THE AMERICAN TOURIST INFORMATION SERVICE TO PAN AM OFFICE IN AMSTERDAM AT NO COST TO USG.
- (D) FOREIGN BUYERS PROGRAM WCAG TOOK SPECIAL NOTE OF THE 250 DUTCH BUSINESSMEN PARTICIPATING IN THE GROUP FLIGHT TO THE OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE IN HOUSTON. THIS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST SINGLE COUNTRY DELEGATIONS IN THE HISTORY OF THE PROGRAM. IN VIEW OF THE TOTAL POPULATION OF THE NETHERLANDS WCAG CONSIDERS THIS REMARKABLE. WCAG UNCLASSIFIED

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REQUEST THE POST SEND CABLE OUTLINING ACTIONS TAKEN TO ACHIEVE SUCH GOOD RESULTS FOR BENEFITS OF OTHER POSTS AND WASHINGTON.

- 3. COMPUTERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT (REFTEL, PARA 1. F)-WCAG ASSUMES POST MEANT TO SAY THAT BRA FOR GLOBAL MARKET RESEARCH QUOTE NOT UNQUOTE RECEIVED BY POST. MESSAGE WE RECEIVED SAID QUOTE NOW UNQUOTE. PLEASE REFER AGAIN TO FIRST QUARTER WCAG REVIEW REPORT (STATE 048978, PARA C).
- 4. DISTRIBUTION OF CCP REPORTS WCAG REQUESTS THAT ALL FUTURE CCP QUARTERLY REPORTS BE SENT INFO TO ALL EC CAPITALS IN BELIEF THAT EUROPEAN POSTS CAN BENEFIT FROM THIS MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF INNOVATIVE IDEAS BY POST.
- 5. POST REPORT WAS RECEIVED IN THREE LONG PARAGRAPHS. TO FACILITATE READINGS, WCAG REQUESTS BREAKING DOWN REPORT INTO SEPARATE PARAGRAPHS. VANCE

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